

Parker Brothers Makers MERIDEN, CONN.

January 14, 2007

Parker shotgun, serial number 12312, was ordered by W. A. Frank in Parker City, PA on September 18, 1878 and shipped on September 19, 1878. According to Parker Bros. Order Book No. 4 it was a Quality 2 hammer, 12-gauge. It featured Damascus steel barrels with a length of 30 inches. Its stock configuration was a pistol grip. The chokes were patterned RH full and LH full. According to Parker Bros. Order Book No. 4, its specifications were: Length of Pull: 14 1/8", Drop at Heel: 3" and Weight: 9 pounds. The stock book is missing for this gun. The price was \$80.00.

Parker Bros., Remington Arms Company Inc. and others repaired and reconfigured guns as a major part of the gun trade. Over the years, this Parker may have undergone changes to suit its owners, either at the factory or other competent facility. Complete factory return and repair records **do not exist** therefore our research team cannot comment, report, or have any responsibility for work performed. It is important to note that those Parker records remaining are hand written and show considerable fading from their age. The research committee has done its best to interpret and report our findings in answer to this request and assumes no responsibility for the recorded accuracy or other work completed.

Sincerely,

Research Committee Chairman

The Parker Gun Collectors Association Inc.